

**BEFORE THE COLORADO WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION
STATE OF COLORADO**

RESPONSIVE PREHEARING STATEMENT BY THE CITY OF AURORA

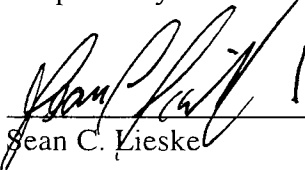
**IN THE MATTER OF THE RULE MAKING HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF
THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE RECLAIMED
WATER CONTROL REGULATION, REGULATION NO. 84 (5 CCR 1002-84)**

The City of Aurora hereby submits its Responsive Prehearing Statement in the Water Quality Control Commission ("Commission") proceedings pertaining to the proposed modifications to Regulation NO. 84 (5 CCR 1002-84)

Aurora supports the proposal presented by the Colorado Section of The Water Reuse Association and The Joint Water Reuse Committee of RMWEA/RMSAWWA. Written testimonies as well as a report commissioned by Denver Water have taken into consideration both protection of public health and the environment. The proposal fulfills the Commission's intent to, *"establish requirements, prohibitions, standards and concentration limits for the use of reclaimed water to protect public health and the environment while encouraging the use of reclaimed water."* Regulation 84 (5 CCR1002-84, §84.2).

For more than 30 years, the City of Aurora has provided reuse water during the summer months for irrigation of city parks, open space and golf thus reducing the demand for potable water. The proposed modifications to the current regulation would allow for new uses of reclaimed water. The Sand Creek Water Reuse Facility currently produces 5 million gallons per day (mgd) of reuse water which is discharged during winter (non-irrigation) months and is thus not put to beneficial use. As fresh water supplies become more limited and the cost of treatment continues to increase, additional uses of reclaimed water will have a monetary and environmental benefit. The new uses would provide greater opportunity to utilize reclaimed water which could also potentially reduce the demand on potable water supplies. Therefore the City of Aurora requests that the Commission adopt the proposed modifications to Regulation NO. 84.

Respectfully submitted this 26th day of March 2013



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 26th day of February, 2013 a copy of the following **RESPONSIVE PREHEARING STATEMENT BY CITY OF AURORA** was sent via e-mail and first class postage paid U.S. Mail to the following:

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